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Presented for filing is a new original patent application of:

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Title : CLAMPING DEVICE FOR MACHINE TOOLS

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Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required for a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	14
Pages of Claims	5
Pages of Abstract	1
Sheets of Drawings	4
Pages of Information Disclosure Statement	1,
Pages of PTO-1449 Form (in duplicate)	1
Cited References	2

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Applicant respectfully claims priority under 35 USC 119 to Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-195637 filed on July 4, 2002. The certified copy of this application will be filed at a later date.

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